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DECEMBER'S GALLERY GLENDALÉ EXHIBIT FEATURES "CONSUMERISM" BY THE EYE LOUNGE ARTIST COLLECTIVE

Glendale, Ariz. — An exhibition by members of Eye Lounge Artist Collective examine what does it mean to be a "consumer," why we consume and the consequences of our consumption at Gallery Glendale at Westgate.

The exhibition, titled "Consumerism," will consist of artworks made of recycled materials, as well as traditional art materials. Examples of the artwork include two sculptures: a larger-than-life-sized chicken made of used plastic, vinyl and paper and a dog made of recycled. Both examples represent the unsustainable aspects of our consumer culture.

"It is an exploration of what and how we consume our world. The culture of the 21st century encourages us to consume everything in greater quantities without regard for how this affects resources and future consumers," stated David Bradley an artist with the collective. "The consumers of the future may find themselves at a disadvantage because scarce resources have been depleted."

"Consumerism" will be open from 6 to 9 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays through December at Gallery Glendale at Westgate, 9380 W. Westgate Blvd. A public opening reception will be held from 6 to 9 p.m., on Friday, Dec. 6.

Eye Lounge Artist Collective, located at 419 E. Roosevelt in downtown Phoenix, was founded in 1999 as an artist-driven venue for contemporary art in Phoenix. For more information on Eye Lounge Artist Collective, visit www.eyelounge.com.

Gallery Glendale at Westgate is a free public art gallery made possible through a partnership between the city of Glendale and Westgate Entertainment District. For more information on Gallery Glendale, visit www.glendaleaz.com/galleryglendale.

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About Westgate Entertainment District

Located in Glendale, Westgate Entertainment District is the premier entertainment destination of the West Valley and a place where people come together for dining, nightlife, shopping, community events, business, concerts, sporting events and celebrations of all kinds. Offering a vibrant outdoor setting with a dancing water fountain and jumping fountains for kids, Westgate delivers an interactive experience day or night. Located just east of the Loop 101 on Glendale Avenue, it encompasses more than 20 restaurants, retailers and entertainment venues including Yard House, Saddle Ranch, McFadden's, Kabuki Japanese Restaurant, Johnny Rockets, Which Wich and the state's largest AMC Theatres featuring 20 screens. More than 250 events take place here a year ranging from live music every Friday and Saturday night at Fountain Park to Bike Nights, Radio Disney Wednesdays, a holiday ice rink and fan experience events. No matter the season, there is something fresh, fun and exciting always happening at Westgate. Westgate is also anchored by Jobing.com Arena, home to the NHL's Phoenix Coyotes, headlining concerts and major events, and is adjacent to the University of Phoenix Stadium, home to the NFL's Arizona Cardinals. For more information, a tenant directory or to see what's happening, visit www.westgateaz.com.

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